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Youth In Government Day June 5, 2013

Senior Students of Willingboro High School shadowed Township Leadership, as an opportunity to observe and participate in municipal government . View the students at their own 'Council Meeting" www.willingboronj.gov.



Left to right: Officer Hankey, Ashley Lewis, Aliyah Khalifa, and Sgt. Parker



Student Advisor; Ms. Kelly Gaunt and Deputy Township Manager; Richard Brevogel

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Willingboro High School Makes State Target for the first time in 'No Child Left Behind' (NCLB) Era

By Dr. Ronald G. Taylor, Superintendent of Schools

r. Taylor announced, during January's State of the District Address, that Willingboro High School made New Jersey State Academic Target's for the first time since the enacting of the 2001 'No Child Left Behind' (NCLB) Federal Law. After a detailed review of Willingboro High School's State Proficiency Assessment (HSPA) results, he found that the percentage of Willingboro High School students' proficient in Language Arts had grown from 53% during the 2009-2010 school year to 82% during the 2011-2012 school year (SY). In the same time frame, Willingboro High School students' proficiency in Mathematics had grown from 22% to 49%. This increase in student achievement has earned Willingboro High School the 'Meeting Progress Targets' designation in both Mathematics and Language Arts for the first time in the 12-year history of the 'No Child Left Behind' Law. Willingboro High School's Progress Targets, (formerly known as Adequate Yearly Progress [AYP]), are based on the New Jersey Department of Education's (NJDOE) formula to monitor, and promote advancement towards a goal of 95% proficiency, for all students in all monitored subject areas.

The Willingboro School District credits several factors for this academic growth to include but not limited to: Block Scheduling implementation (a methodology that doubles the amount of instruction time students receive in each class per day); increased accountability for students through transcript audits, the District's new Pupil Code of Conduct; the dedication of hard-working teachers and administrative staff at Willingboro High School. The New Jersey Department of Education recently categorized our high school as a 'Focus School'. This classification was due to low graduation rates, as determined by the relatively new Adjusted Cohort Graduation Rate formula, which is now being used to calculate graduation rates for high schools in the state of New Jersey. Any school receiving the designation of 'Focus School' is required to address identified areas of concern via the implementation of school improvement efforts documented in a mandated School Improvement Plan (SIP). During the first year of school improvement efforts, the high school's leadership team implemented an improvement plan which called for professional development of staff, and the establishment of management teams tasked with the responsibility of addressing conduct, attendance, and academic issues in a systematic fashion. In preparation for the 2013-2014 Cohort of students, the high school leadership team is currently engaged in planning efforts for the SY 2013-2014 SIP. The new plan will outline required actions to

create career academies within our high school, allowing academic choices for students with the goal to ensure that a greater percentage of our pupils graduate ready for college and careers.

Dr. Ronald G. Taylor, Superintendent of Schools, has commented, "... our academic improvements are commendable, however, our work is far from done as we strive to be the number one school option for parents in our community." The Willingboro School District has implemented several initiatives to improve student achievement during Dr. Taylor's tenure to include: Consolidating Levitt Junior High School and Memorial Upper Elementary School into the "New" Memorial Middle School serving students in 6th-8th grade. This will result in fewer transitions as students move through the K-12 continuum; Swing-space utilization to minimize disruption during the \$67 Million school renovations project; Procurement of more than \$500,000 in new textbooks for a District wide adoption; as well as a new curriculum adoption for all grades Kindergarten through 12th. With the implementation of insightful ideas and feedback gleaned from strategic planning with community stakeholders, Willingboro Public Schools are poised for even greater success in SY 2013-2014.

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BCC's GED Test Center is key to opening a world of opportunity

By Margo Harvey, BCC Marketing & Communications Specialist

Tor residents who never earned their high school diploma, the first door to opportunity is often the GED® Test Center located at Burlington County College's (BCC) Willingboro Center, 200 Campbell Dr., Suite 201. As the only official testing center for all of Burlington County, BCC administers approximately 700 tests each year.

The chance at earning an education came unexpectedly for one Burlington Township resident, John Doyle. After 20 years in the construction business, Doyle was laid off due to the recession.

The 42-year-old signed up for GED prep classes at BCC and within three months, Doyle had earned his GED and the chance to pursue a higher education at BCC.

"They [BCC's Adult Basic Education staff] encouraged me to further my education," Doyle said.

"I had the fear that I would be the oldest student, but that was not the case at all. I've helped the younger students and they have helped me. I think that is why I enjoy BCC so much," he said. "It has been the total college experience." After Doyle completes his general education courses, he is looking forward to enrolling in BCC's Culinary Arts Program. "I like to cook and eat, I'm not a desk person. I've always been on the move," he said.

"The teachers at BCC really helped reprogram my thinking. I was always frustrated that I wasn't as skilled academically, but that is no longer the case. I just earned an 'A' in English 101."

Doyle hopes to transfer to a four-year university after getting his associate degree from BCC.

Willingboro resident Marie LaFrance, originally from Haiti, credits Ms. Valerie, Ms. Mildred and Ms. Keturah, BCC's Adult Basic Education (ABE) staff, for helping her succeed.

"When I saw my placement scores I wanted to give up. I thought, maybe I can't do this. But they pushed and encouraged me and prepared me for the GED test," said LaFrance.

Currently enrolled in BCC's nursing program, 51-year-old LaFrance sought the opportunity to pursue her dream career after being laid off from retail sales. "After 25 years I had to start all over," she said.

"The ABE staff really helped speed up the whole process. I was ready to take the GED test in August and I was enrolled at BCC and taking classes by the end of August."

LaFrance plans to continue to pursue her education and eventually land her dream job working with children as a nurse.

"This is my time, my chance—I want to take it and run with it," she concluded.

Doyle's and LaFrance's stories are not unusual. According to the GED Testing Service, the creators of the official GED test, nearly 800,000 adults sat for their GED last year. The current test series, the 2002 Series GED® Test, has five parts: reading, writing, mathematics, science and social studies.

Testing centers across the country are encouraging those who may have passed part of the test to complete all sections by the end of the year. A new GED test will be launched in 2014 and as a result, the current test scores for those who have not finished all the sections of the test will expire. According to Nicole

Chestang, Executive Vice President of the GED Testing Service, "more than a million adults have started, but not finished the current GED test."

Willingboro resident Kelly Williams is currently taking ABE classes in preparation for the GED Test, which he plans to take in June.

"I needed it for better opportunities, whether that means going back to school or getting a better career," said Williams. "I want to further myself."

The 36-year old finds the ABE classes beneficial for students who have been out of school for several years. "Everyone gets the help they need when they need it," he said.

"I hope to one day own my own fashion business. I've been doing it since I was little," Williams said. "I know the GED test is my first step in getting there."

BCC provides free support to residents who wish to finish and pass the test. ABE programs are open for immediate enrollment. Residents interested in taking the GED test, should call BCC at 609-894-9311, ext. 3079 or 3016 or visit www.finishtheGED.com.



Spring and Summer Home Safety Tips

By Mark A. Robertson Sr.

he spring and summer seasons are upon us and now is the time when we all enjoy spending more time at our homes and on the roadways. Whether it's the annual "spring cleaning", an afternoon barbecue in the backyard, or a leisurely bike ride, safety should never take a vacation. In this article you will find several tips on helping make your home, social events, and travels safe.

Gasoline and propane are both staples around our homes during the spring and summer. These products are helpful in maintaining our homes and entertaining our guests during outdoor activities, however, they can be dangerous if used incorrectly. The following are safety tips for the use of gasoline and propane around the home.

Gasoline:

- 1. Keep gasoline out of children's sight and reach. Children should never handle gasoline.
- 2. Do not use or store gasoline near possible ignition sources (i.e., electrical devices, or gas-fired appliances, or any other device that contains a pilot flame or will spark), and only store gasoline outside the home (i.e., in a garage or lawn shed) in an approved tightly closed metal or plastic container, not beyond fuel line.
- 3. Never use gasoline inside the home or as a cleaning agent. Clean up spills promptly and discard clean-up materials properly. Do not smoke when handling gasoline.

Propane:

- 1. Never store or use propane gas cylinders larger than one pound inside the home. Larger cylinders should be stored in a garden type shed, away from the home.
- 2. Never operate a propane-powered gas grill inside the home.
- 3. Carefully follow all manufacturers' instructions when lighting propane-powered equipment

Lightning is a powerful natural phenomenon that occurs year round, but especially during the summer months. Over 20,000 fires are caused annually by lightning strikes. These fires also cause over

10 deaths and 40 injuries a year, and over \$400 million in direct property damage. Here are some precautions to take when you notice lightning in your area.

- 1. If you can hear thunder, you are within striking distance of lightning. Seek shelter inside a home, large building, or a hard-topped vehicle right away. Do not go under trees for shelter. There is no place outside that is safe during a thunder-storm. Wait at least 30 minutes after the last thunder before leaving your shelter.
- 2. Stay away from windows and doors. If you are in or on open water go to land and seek shelter indoors.
- 3. If you feel your hair stand on end, that means lightning is about to strike, squat low to the ground on the balls of your feet. Place your hands over your ears and your head between your knees. Make yourself the smallest target possible and minimize your contact with the ground

The spring season is a great time of the year to rid your home of excess items. Items that are in good condition can be sold at a garage sale or flea market. Items that are broken or unsafe should be thrown away or properly recycled. Excess materials in the home can lead to safety concerns for owners and firefighters:

- 1. Excess materials can block exits and prevent escape from the home. In addition, people can be injured when they trip over things or when materials fall on them.
- 2. Responding firefighters can be put at risk due to obstructed exits, falling objects, and excessive fire loading that can lead to collapse. This excess of items also makes fighting fires and searching for occupants far more difficult.

Each year approximately 20 children ages 14 and under died in bicycle-related incidents, and more than 236,000 are injured. Head injury is the leading cause of death in bicycle crashes. A collision with a motor vehicle causes nearly 90 percent of bicycle-related deaths. One hundred seventy-nine children ages 14 and under died in 2005 from pedestrian injuries (crossing the street, etc.). Nearly 27,500 children

received emergency room treatment for pedestrian injuries every year. Some tips to help keep our children safe include:

- 1. Children under 10 should ride on sidewalks or safe areas only like a bike path. Teens may ride in the street, riding with traffic, after they learn the rules of the road.
- 2. Require children (and adults) to wear a helmet whenever riding a bike, scooter, skateboard, or in-line skate
- 3. Teach children to always come to a complete stop before entering a driveway, path or sidewalk. Look left, right, and left again for other bikes, cars, or pedestrians.
- 4. Children under 10 should never cross a street alone. Grown-ups and older children should be role models and set a positive example by practicing safe street-crossing rules.
- 5. Teach children how to cross the street. Stop at the curb or edge of the continued on page 6



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The Wellspring of Emotions

By Harry W. Kendall

ot satisfied with life; day simply drags into night; living is one huge bore? Why not choose a path of wisdom—seek knowledge of the whole self. Reading/ studying and meditating into deep levels of personal being are excellent means for expanding one's intellectual capacity. It will help build a platform for communicating with peers about the world in and about each one of us. This will lead to contemplative inquiry of self—one's complete being, mortal and immortal. Being able to discriminate between these two aspects of life is a necessary task for any wisdom-seeker. On this path one will sooner or later come to realize that every individual is endowed with the necessary instruments, a body, a mind, senses, and a consciousness to understand and use them for whatever one's desired goal.

This piece is a continuation of an earlier writing of this series, Introspection, in which Ye Scribe encouraged each individual to view his/her progression through life as if writing a novel of self. It begged the question of how the piece would read. Hopefully each author is writing (developing each page) daily by doing her/his best at living a balanced and fruitful life. This is a matter of raising one's consciousness—learning while progressing through life acquiring

knowledge of body, mind and sense functions as they are stimulated by and dependent upon action. Actions are the result of thought. Thoughts are conceived by emotions; emotions stem from desire; desires arise from four primal urges all humans as well as creatures share—food, sex, sleep and self-preservation respectively. These are motivating factors of which humans, unlike creatures, have the ability to manage, even though some persons lack

torment, though not realizing the ignorance there of is a problem. How well can one expect to prosper if she or he cannot comprehend their basic needs?

Each distinct urge is too complex for a discussion in this limited space, except to highlight certain aspects of the four. As anyone can see, eating too much is a major problem in America. A primary cause is not giving one's body the nutrition it needs. The more one over-eats disagreeable food, the more the need for from individual to individual, but any person can train him or herself to regulate food as well as sex appetites.

The sex drive in animals is controlled by nature. In humans it depends more on stimulated senses—appeal, urge, drive and satisfaction—the result of which should be a calm energizing. Obsessions or brooding on one's sexuality leads to over indulgence and emotional instability.

When the part of one's conscious mind that functions with the external world grows weary of pressures and fatigues, the body becomes tired and the need for sleep arises. Strengthen one's willpower by making up the mind to sleep and awaken voluntarily.

elf preservation is a natural tendency to protect one's self; fear being foremost in this drive. Deepest in the minds of many humans is the fear of dying, which need not be. The adage, *knowledge dispels darkness*, means that acquiring knowledge of the immortal self will reveal how life is eternal; death is not the end, it is merely closing one door and opening another.

The end

Further readings of Harry W. Kendall may be viewed at http://kentehuti.wordpress.com Replies and/or inquiries: hkendall@willingboronj.gov



the know-how. Not understanding the impact these drives have on our bodies and minds is tantamount to living in

proper nutrition increases, thus feeding into a self-defeating and habitual cycle. The need for food as nutrition varies

Home Safety Tips

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road and look left then right, then left again for moving cars. Wait until the street is clear; keep looking left and right until you have safely crossed the street.

Township residents should take a few moments to review the safety tips in this article to ensure the safety of themselves, their family, and their guests during not only the spring and summer, but throughout the entire year as well. The tips given in this article are courtesy of the National Fire Protection Association. To learn more about the statistics within this article and to read more tips on safety in the home by go to the Web site: www.NFPA.org





Have a question? Township Manager; Joanne G. Diggs, requests your questions be mailed to: Willingboro Township Manager, Municipal Complex, Suite 206, One Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, Willingboro, NJ 08046-2853 or email to: newspaper@willingboronj.gov subject line: Township Manager.

Who do I contact when a neighbor's property is not being kept up to the standard of the other properties on the streets?

When you are experiencing any property maintenance issue contact the Inspections Department at (609) 877-2200 Extension 1033.

Beginning this spring there will be a major push to enforce the Property Maintenance Codes. The appearance of our neighborhoods is important and we hear our citizens asking for stricter enforcement of the codes. I urge you to take a discerning look at your property and devise a plan to paint that fence or repair that gutter that is hanging off the house. Get out and clean the weeds from the flower bed and pick up the paper that has blown in bushes. Maybe you need to resurface that fading driveway. Remember that trash cans should not be stored in front of the house and should not go out until the night before your pick-up date. Don't wait for the Inspector to issue a notice, get out and start those repairs today.

May I get a telephone or E-mail reminder that my quarterly taxes are due?

Yes. You may receive a reminder via telephone, cell phone and or email

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2011 Homestead Benefit Credit

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Willingboro Jazz Festival-Celebrating 30 Years of Musical Excellence

By Kendall Brunson

ow! Can you believe the Township of Willingboro is hosting its 30th Jazz Festival on August 18, 2013? The Willingboro Jazz Festival was founded by Saxophonist Billy Keil and Trumpeter Bill O'Donnell in the early 80's with a vision of bringing Jazz to

the "Community Stage" in a festival style that had never been seen in our area before. The Jazz Fest began in the Willingboro Plaza now the Willingboro Town Center. The Festival moved to Broido Park in 1984 and was held there until it moved to its current location in Millcreek Park

in 1995. Through the history of this memorable event many great musicians have graced the Jazz Fest Stage, the Charlie Mingus Big Band, The Woody Herman Orchestra, Jeff Lorber, Gerald Veasly, Sean Jones, John Faddis, Charles Fambrough, Cintron, D-for, Exit 45,

Larry McKenna, Dennis Diblasio, Jeff Bradshaw, Bootsy Barnes, Michael Pedicin, Urban Quadra Band, Spyro Gyra, Angela Bofil, TruVibe, Fresh Fire, the Willingboro High School Jazz Band and a slew of other notable performers.

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Willingboro Jazz Festival

Sponsorship Opportunities

Art Blakey Sponsor \$10,000 (exclusive festival sponsorship)

- Corporate logo and information prominently displayed in media sponsor and promotional materials, including:
 - Signage on main stage, banner, event flyer and website
 - Press releases and media alerts
 - Program book: Corporate logo on front cover, premium ad on back cover and recognition letter
 - T-shirts, balloons etc.
- Four (4) Invitations to Saturday night private VIP reception
- ♪ Opportunity to distribute pre-approved collateral or promotional items during the festival
- ♪ On-stage mentions of Art Blakey sponsor, including:
 - Acknowledgment/presentation during opening ceremonies
- Opportunity to include corporate promotional materials in one thousand (1,000) goodie bags distributed to festival attendees
- ♪ One (1) music trolley sponsorship
- ♪ Recognition on 2013 Willingboro Jazz Festival commemorative CD
- ♪ Two (2) tickets to pre-festival Friday night Gospel Concert

Charlie Parker Sponsor \$5,000 (exclusive venue sponsorship)

- Corporate logo displayed in the media sponsor and promotional materials, including:
 - Signage on main stage, banner, event poster and website
 - Press releases and media alerts
 - One (1) premium ad in program book
- Four (4) invitations to Saturday night VIP party
- ♪ On-stage mentions of Charlie Parker sponsor, including:
- Acknowledgment/presentation during opening ceremonies
- ✔ Opportunity to include corporate promotional materials in one thousand (1,000) goodie bags distributed to festival attendees

- ♪ One (1) musical trolley sponsorship
- ♪ Two (2) tickets to pre-festival Friday night Gospel Concert

Miles Davis -Friend of the Willingboro Jazz Fest \$2,500

- Corporate logo displayed in media sponsor and promotional materials, including:
 - Press releases and media alerts
 - Event posters and Web site
 - One (1) half-page ad in program book
- Four (2) invitations to Saturday night private VIP reception
- Opportunity to include corporate promotional materials in one thousand (1,000) goodie bags distributed to festival attendees
- ♪ Two (2) tickets to pre-festival Friday night Gospel Concert

Dizzy Gillespie - Party Package \$1,000

- ♪ Four (2) invitations to Saturday night VIP reception
- ♪ Party packages containing commemorative CD's, drink passes, t-shirts and more
- ♪ Two (2) tickets to pre-festival Friday night Gospel Concert

Thelonious Monk - Other Opportunities

- ♪ Full-page ad in program book: \$500
- Half-page ad in program book: \$250
- ♪ Business card size ad in program book: \$100
- ♪ Friend of Jazz Name listed in ad book: \$50

For more information on event sponsorship contact: Kendall Brunson, 609.877.2200 ext. 1111 Kbrunson@willingboronj.gov

Willingboro Jazz Festival

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☐ Charlie Parker Sponsor: \$5,000	☐ Half Page: \$250
☐ Miles Davis Sponsor: \$2,500	☐ Business Card Size: \$100
☐ Dizzy Gillespie Sponsor: \$1,000	☐ Friend of Jazz: \$50
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Levittown Memorial VFW Post 4914

By Larry Williams

the Levittown Memorial VFW Post 4914 wants to share with you some good news. Commander Larry Williams and Quartermaster Claude Anderson were selected as All State for the second year in a row. Meaning they are among the best for their Offices in the State of New Jersey. Currently Willingboro Post has signed more new members than

any VFW Post in the State of New Jersey. We are also ranked as the number 10 VFW Post in Division 3 across America and Number 1 in New Jersey.

These are the dates of our events:

- Father's Day Luncheon June 16, 2013 from 2pm-6pm. No cost.
- July 30th Patio Party 2pm till 8pm. Cost \$5.00
- July 4th celebration with Township 2pm until at VFW. No Cost
- July13th Why Do you Chicken Out Party. Cost \$5.00
- July 27th VFW Softball Tournament 3pm at Sportsman Field
- August 3rd Wild West Party at 1pm-6pm. \$5.00
- August 18th VFW Can You SEE Food

Party. Cost \$5.00

- September 7th Good Bye Summer Party. Cost \$5.00
- October 5th Pig Out Party. Cost \$5.00

Levittown Memorial VFW Post 4914 28 Creekview Road Willingboro, NJ 08046 Telephone: 856-255-5126

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Over the years, thousands of spectators have participated in this full day of musical excitement. Our 2012 festival attracted over six thousand and was touted as one of the best ever held. This year's festival we hope to exceed our numbers with additional spectators, vendors and sponsors.

To learn more about the Willingboro Jazz Festival and our vendor and sponsorship opportunities, contact the Willingboro Recreation & Parks Department at 609-877-2200 or kbrunson@willingboronj.gov

Recipes

Contributed by: Sarah Wooding

Banana Gingerbread Loaf

Ingredients

2 1/3 cups Bisquick ½ cup sugar ½ cup nuts

2 tsp. ground ginger

1 tsp. ground cinnamon

1 cup ripe bananas

1/4 cup vegetable oil

1/4 cup molasses

3 eggs

- Heat oven to 350°
- Use a 9x5x3 inch pan
- Grease and flour the bottom of loaf pan

- Mix all dry ingredients together in bowl
- Mix bananas, oil, molasses, and eggs and stir into dry items until moistened, beat vigorously about 40 strokes scraping bowl once
- Pour mixture into pan
- Bake until toothpick comes out clean
- Bake for 50 to 55 minutes
- Cool for 10 minutes
- Remove loaf from pan

This recipe was given to Ms. Wooding over 40 years ago by a friend. Her desire is for you to enjoy it!

Marathon Explosion

By Mason Moton IV

Reality of America's vulnerability to terroristic attack has hit the street, of America's Mainstream. On April 14th, 2013 while thousands were running in Boston's annual Marathon, two pressure cooker bombs that exploded sent a shockwave across the nation. What was meant to be a run for health, community, and wellness became a disaster. The accumulated death toll of 3 and countless injuries raised an acute sense of social awareness. This rise has been evident since the shooting in Arizona, where a young girl

was a victim. One may give the title of "The Snow Ball Effect" to the recent events. Currently there is a sense of Vigilance in the whole of American cities, towns, schools, and alike. Congressman and Senators are being pressured by angry, grieving parents, students, friends, and various siblings. It is obvious that a change in general law is coming soon – even with the resistance by profiting members of the current laws and policies. Most Americans are faced with 2 dilemmas in the present times – do something or do nothing.



Strayer University

By Tereen Speller

trayer University offers a quality education for adult learning. We have flexible class scheduling that allows you to fit school into your life. We offer adult learners the option to attend class online or at one of our many locations located across the country. Strayer University will be holding its official re-grand opening of its newly renovated Willingboro Campus. Please come join us for a fun filled day on August 24, 2013 in the Willingboro Town Center for Town Center Day. We will be hosting a campus tour and there will be admissions officers on staff to answer any questions.

Strayer University is a Regionally Accredited University that offers adults a variety of Business Administration programs, Criminal Justice, and Information systems and Technology for Graduate and Undergraduate students. Strayer also offers The Jack Welch Executive MBA or Certificate program.

Our degree programs offer real-world skills in high demand fields:

- Accounting
- Business
- Criminal Justice

- Education
- Health Service Administration
- Human Resource Management
- Information Systems
- Information Technology
- Management
- Public Administration

Strayer University is pleased to announce that Strayer Business degree programs have received initial accreditation from the Accreditation Council of Business School and Programs. (ACBSP) This accreditation certifies that the teaching and learning processes in the School of Business at Strayer University meet the rigorous educational standards established by ACBSP.

The following business programs at Strayer University are accredited by ACBSP:

- Associate in Arts in Accounting
- Associate in Arts in Acquisition and Contract Management
- Associate in Arts in Business Administration
- Associate in Arts in Economics
- Associate in Arts in Marketing
- Bachelor of Business Administration
- Bachelor of Science in Accounting

- Bachelor of Science in Economics
- Master of Business Administration
- Master of Science in Human Resource Management
- Master of Science in Health Services Administration
- · Master of Science in Management
- Master of Science in Accounting

We do it by being supportive. At Strayer University, we realize you're more than just a working adult and a student. That's why we assign a personal Admissions Officer to help guide, support and cheer you on every step of the way.

Strayer has alliances with many leading corporations to provide specially tailored continuing education programs. We also make it simple for graduates of two-year schools to transfer their college credits seamlessly. Strayer University accepts transfer credit from institutions that are recognized by an agency that is recognized by the U.S. Department of Education. This includes two and four-year colleges and universities, business colleges, trade schools and international universities. Strayer University has Articulation Agreements with over 100 two-year colleges. Students who transfer

through such an agreement receive a variety of academic and financial benefits.

Sprayer proudly welcomes students who have served or are currently serving our country through the armed forces Military Alliances. Most Strayer university campuses are approved for Veterans Benefits by the State Approving Agency for the education of veterans, members of the Selected Reserve and their dependents, and for the rehabilitation of veterans with service connected disabilities. In addition, most campuses are also approved by the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) for the admissions of international students. Strayer is a member of Service members Opportunity Colleges (SOC) and participates in associate's and bachelor's degree programs for active duty military personnel. Strayer University is a GoArmyEd, NCPDLP and AU-ABC school.

For more information please stop in to our Willingboro Campus located 300 Willingboro Parkway, Willingboro NJ, 08046 or go to our website www.strayer.edu

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Willingboro Public Library News

Please visit our website at www.willingboro.org for full program descriptive.

Willingboro Public Library • Willingboro Town Center 220 Willingboro Parkway, Willingboro, NJ 08046 (609) 877-6668

Fund Raising Event

Del Payne Memorial 5K Run/Walk

Sat., Sept. 28, 8am in Mill Creek Park rain or shine, event day registration \$30.

Exhibits

The Art of Shaun Harrod

July 3 - 31,

Meet the Exhibitor: Sat., July 6, 2 pm.

NJ Pastel Painters Society

Aug. 3 - 30,

Meet the Artists: Sat., Aug. 10, 2 pm.

Denae Nelson: Humbling Eyes

Meet the Artist: Sat., Sept. 7, 2 pm.

Children's Programs

Summer Reading Club – Dig Into Reading

Tues., July 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30, 2 pm. Gr. 1-3

Summer Reading Club – Dig Into Reading

Parent's signature if under 18.

Wed., July 3, 10, 17, 24, & 31, 2 pm.

Tiny Tots Fun in the Sun

Mon., July 8, 11 am.

Gr. 2-4

What Can Your Baby Do with Books, **Besides Eat Them?**

Thurs., July 11 and Aug. 22, 6 pm.

Fill Your Bucket

Tues., Aug. 13, 2 pm

Let's Make It a Paint Date

Wed., Aug, 15, 11 am.

Tiny Tots Story Time

Wed., Sept. 4, 11, 18 & 25, 10:30 am. 18 mos.-4 yrs. with parent or caregiver.

Get Your Most Important School Supply:

A Library Card!

Sept. All Month.

Musical Chairs and Dares

Wed., Sept. 18, 4 pm.

Family Programs

End of Summer Reading Club Party with Magic by Mark Zacharia

Tues., Aug. 6, 7 pm.

Town Center Day

Sat., Aug. 24, 12-4 p.m.

South Jersey Ghost Research

Thurs., Sept. 26, 7 pm.

Teen Programs

Summer Reading Club -**Beneath the Surface**

Thurs., July 11, 18, & 25, 2 pm. Gr. 7-12.

Capture the Flag

Wed., Aug. 21, 5:30 pm. Gr. 5-12.

Back2School Movie Break

Wed., Sept. 25, 5:30 pm. Gr. 7-12.

Adult Programs

Jus Like Jonah With Todd Evans

Sat., July 6, 11 am.

Find Your Passion With Thierry Lundy

Sat., July 6, 12 pm.

Book Club Café!

Wed., July 10, Aug.14 & Sept. 11, 10:30 am.

Meet the Author-Paul F. Poole

Thurs., July 11, 7 pm.

Scrap-Booking!

Mon., July 15, Aug. 19 & Sept. 16, 6 pm.

International Chess Day

Sat., July 20, 10 am-4 pm.

Free Blood Pressure and **Blood Sugar Screening**

Mon., July 22, Aug. 26, Sept. 23, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Help Finding a Job

Wed., July 24, 10 am or Tues., Aug. 13, 2 pm or Thurs., Sept. 5, 10 am.

Documentary Film: Doo-Wop

Sat., July 13, 2 pm.

Book Discussion: Shred

Sat., Aug. 17, 2 pm.

Qigong for Everyone

Mon., Sept. 9, 11 am.

African Heritage Film Festival

Thurs., Sept. 12, 6:30 pm.

Film Production Workshop

Sat., Sept. 14, 2 pm.

Computer Classes

PC Basics

Wed., July 10, 10 am or Tues., Aug. 6, 2 pm or Thurs, Sept. 12, 10 am.

MS Word

Wed., July 10, 10 am or Tues., Aug. 6, 2 pm or Thurs, Sept. 12, 10 am.

Date .

PC Tips and Tricks

Weds, July 17, 10 am.

Excel for Beginners

Thurs., July 18 & 25, 6 pm., or Wed., Aug. 21 & 28, 10 am.

Internet and E-mail

Thurs., Sept. 19 & 26, 10 am.

What in the World are They Doing

on Facebook?

Thurs., Sept 19, 6 pm.

Friends of the Library

Join the Friends for their monthly meeting on Mon., July 1, Aug. 5, and Sept. 9 at 7 pm.

Library Board of Trustees

The Board of Willingboro Public Library Trustees will meet at 7:30 p.m. on the second Wed. of the month, July 10 and Sept. 11. The Board does not meet in Aug.

Running With His Spirit Del Payne Memorial 5K Run/Walk

Sat., Sept. 28, 8 a.m. Rain or Shine

For the Benefit of Willingboro Public Library

Where: Certified 5K Course, Millcreek Park, Beverly-Rancocas Rd., Willingboro

Race Day Registration Begins: 6:45am • Registration Fee: \$25 per runner until Sept. 26; race day registration \$30

Free T-Shirt to first 100 registrants! Prizes to top finishers. Adults, I	ids, Seniors Welcome	
Mail registration to: Willingboro Public Library, 220 Willingboro make checks out to Willingboro Public Library. Please print applie Questions? cmhill@willingboro.org. Or register online at active.	cation.	hristine Hill;
Last Name:	First Name:	
Age: Birth Date:	Sex: M	F
Address:		
Email Address:		
I, the undersigned, know that running is a potentially hazardous activity. I should not enter my cability to safely complete the race. I assume all risks associated with my child running in the these heat and humidity, traffic and the conditions of the course, all such risks being known and apprect oact on my or my child's behalf, waive and release Willingboro Public Library, Willingboro Town or liabilities of any kind arising out of my participation in this event even though that liability maname and city of residence in the race results posted on the RacingNJ website.	running/walking events, including but not limited to falls, conta iated by me. Having read this waiver and knowing these facts, ar iship, RacingNJ, the race directors, all organizing committees, all	act with other runners, the effects of the weather, including high and inconsideration of my entry, I for myself and anyone entitled their sponsors, representatives and successors from all claims

Recreation & Parks Programs

Recreation & Parks In-Person Registration: JFK Center, 429 JFK Way Office Hours: 9am - 5pm • Telephone: (609) 871-5700 Fax: (609) 871-6990 • Online Registration: www.willingboronj.gov

Special Events

Open Mic Nights When: 3rd Fridays **Time:** 7:00pm

Community Health Fair

When: April 20, 2013 **Time:** 10:00am – 2:00pm

Opening Tennis Day When: May 18, 2013

Program Open House: 11:00am Tennis Tune-Up/Cardio Tennis Demo:

1:00pm

Adult Tennis Party: 6:00pm

Adult Tennis Parties

Dates: May 18, 2013 June 15, 2103 August 17, 2103 **Time:** 6:00pm -10:00pm

Outdoor Movie Night When: May 18, 2013

Time: Dust

Aquatics "Splash into Summer"

Pool Party

Pool Opens: May 25, 2013 **Country Club Pool**

CPR Training (Community)

When: June 1, 2013 Cost: \$75 per person **Community Yard Sale**

When: June 8, 2013 Time: 9:00am

Boxing Show

When: June 22, 2013 Time: 2:00pm Cost: \$20 Ringside, \$15 Bleacher, \$10 Youth

July is Recreation & Parks Month

Events: Pool Parties, Family Days,

Concerts, Field Days Celebrate with Us!

Willingboro Jazz Fest When: August 18, 2013

Where: Millcreek Park

US Tennis Open Trip Where: Flushing Meadow, NY When: September 7, 2013

Cost: \$95.00

Crab & Shrimp Feast

Balance due 6/24/13

When: August 24, 2013 Where: Baltimore Cost: \$120.00 per person Deposit of \$60.00 due by 5/1/13 **Youth Programs**

Willingboro Teen Program (V.O.Y.P) Voice of Young People Events April – June

Dates & Times: Call for schedule

Youth Tennis (Quick Start) **Afterschool Program**

Friday Night Tennis Tune-up

Starts: May 24, 2013

Starts: April 1, 2013

Youth Tennis Lessons Start: June 4, 2013

Pee Wee Tennis Lessons

Starts: May 18, 2013

Youth & Adult Tennis Tournaments

Dates: May 31, 2013 July 12, 2013 August 2, 2013 September 20, 2103 Where: Millcreek Park

Karate Kids Starts: April 9, 2013

Dance – Youth Ballet **Starts:** April 13, 2013

Dance -Youth Tap **Starts:** April 13, 2013

Starts: April 13, 2013

Cartooning & Basic Drawing

Boxing Club Ongoing

When: Monday - Friday

Youth Beginner Golf

Starts: April 6, 2013

Teen Camp Starts: July 8, 2013

Camp Watchamacallit

Starts: July 8, 2013

Open Gym Basketball Starts: April 2, 2013

Youth Summer Basketball Indoor

League

Starts: June 24, 2013

Blue Top Basketball Outdoor League

Starts: August 6, 2013

Basketball Skills Camp Starts: August 19, 2013

Music – Beginner Guitar Lessons (Youth)

Starts: April 2, 2013

Adult Programs

Willingboro Fitness Center

Open: Monday - Friday 6:00am - 9:00pm Saturday - Sunday 8:000am - 3:30pm

Adult Tennis Lessons Starts: June 4, 2013

Adult Open Gym Basketball

When: Sundays **Time:** 8:00am - 12:00pm

Women's Basketball League

Starts: June 7, 2013

Willingboro Chess Club

Meets: Tuesdays & Saturdays

Music – Beginner Guitar Lessons (Adult)

Starts: April 2, 2013

Yoga

Starts: April 8, 2103

Step Aerobics

Starts: April 15, 2013

Boot Camp Fitness

Starts: April 16, 2013

Spinning

Starts: May 6, 2013

Zumba

Starts: April 11, 2013

Hot Hula

Starts: April 9, 2013

Facility Rentals

Pool Parties - Country Club &

Pennypacker Pool

Pavilion Rentals – Millcreek Parks Meeting Rooms and Parties -

Kennedy Center

Willingboro Recreation & **Parks Department**

Kennedy Center 429 John F. Kennedy Way Willingboro, NJ 08046 P: (609)877.2200 F: (609)871.6990

In Person Registration:

JFK Center Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Online Registration: www.willingboronj.gov

Reverse 9-1-1 – Emergency/Public Notification

The telephone notification system of Willingboro is used to make residents aware of emergencies or notify them of important matters. If your telephone number is unlisted the Township is unable to contact you when such calls are being made. Please fill in this form and mail, or return, to:

Willingboro Township Police Department One Rev. Dr. M. L. King, Jr. Drive

Willingboro, NJ 08046

Name:	
Address:	

Telephone Contact:_

Alternate Telephone: Contact:

Township of Willingboro Telephone Directory

Police Department

One Rev. Dr. M. L. King, Jr. Drive Telephone Information: Desk: 609-877-3001 Non-priority Calls: 609-877-3000 Priority/Emergency: 9-1-1

Police Records

One Rev.-Dr. M. L. King, Jr. Drive 609-877-2200 Ext. 1999 Monday 2:00pm-5:00pm Tuesday - Friday 9:00am-5:00pm

Willingboro Public Library

609-877-6668

The Town Center of Willingboro 220 Willingboro Parkway Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 10:00am-9:00pm Friday 1:00pm-5:00pm Saturday 9:00am -5:00pm Library closed Sunday

Township of Willingboro

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Manager

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Township of Willingboro

Main Number: 609-877-2200 Municipal Complex One Rev. Dr. M.L. King, Jr. Drive

Monday - Friday:

Township Manager's Office Ext. 1036 9:00am-5:00pm

Township Clerk's Office Ext. 1028 9:00am-5:00pm

Township Court Clerk's Office Ext. 1038, 1039

9:00-4:00pm

Township Code Enforcement/ Inspections Office Ext. 1214

7:00am-5:00pm

Vital Statistics Office Ext. 1011 9:00am-12:00pm & 2:00-4:00pm

Tax Office Ext. 1005 9:00am-5:00pm

Tax Assessor's Office Ext. 1013 9:00am - 5:00pm

Public Works Department

Ext. 1051

25 Industrial Drive

Monday - Friday 7:00am-3:00pm Saturday 7:15am-2:30pm

JFK Center

429 JFK Way

Senior Center Ext. 1129

Monday - Friday 9:00am-10:00pm Saturday 11:00am-8:00pm

Recreation & Parks Ext. 1113 **Administrative Offices**

Monday - Friday 9:00am-5:00pm

Recreation & Parks Programs

Monday - Friday 8:00am-9:30pm Saturday and Sunday

From the Desk of Dr. James E. Ayrer



have discovered that over the Llast few years I have become addicted to watching natural disasters on television. I could not stop looking at the terrible tragedy in Moore, Oklahoma

this past May and it was the same way with hurricane Katrina a few years ago.

Maybe it is because the same kind of things doesn't happen in New Jersey; the size of the tornado, the immense black cloud that kept coming and coming. There was this sense of inevitability, but at the same time a hope that it would just stop and not destroy the towns, and kill people in its path.

Then there was hurricane Sandy and the nor'easter it joined on the New Jersey and New York coasts. I was fascinated by the weather reports that predicted the hurricane would come up the coast and make a sharp left hand turn inland. My sister has a home on Long Beach Island and I desperately

wanted to see the television coverage that would tell me what was going to happen there and in New York City. I watched, captivated as the water kept inching upon dry land in New York. And then we lost the television signal.

I shared Governor Christie's disappointment as he toured the Seaside Heights boardwalk. My dad and some friends had a cottage and we spent our summer vacations there when I was young. I played skill ball and rode the merry-goround; it was crushing to see a part of my life disappear into the Atlantic.

I guess one of the things that surprised me most was the way the responders came in and took over. Just imagine, there are actually people whose profession is to clean up after tornadoes. They come in when there is still a possibility that people are still alive under all the debris. First responders are skilled in knowing how to dispose of things in such a way that people who may still be alive can be found and rescued.

And so, my thoughts naturally turned to Willingboro. We didn't have the same damage they had along the coast but there were trees and electrical wires down, and power outages all over the town. How did we cope with it?

Well, we have a very competent group of volunteers, an Emergency Management group led by John Carrol, who spring into action at the very warning of such a problem. John has probably been around as long as I have been on Council and that's quite a while. In previous columns I have sung the praises of our Directors but I've never mentioned him before. Now I will tell you, John is as competent as the best of them.

Understand that this position is not a cushy job to which you can assign just anybody. When a state of emergency is proclaimed, the Director of Emergency Management takes over the town. He can tell the Township Manager what to do and, as far as the emergency is concerned, he can tell the Director of Public Safety what to do. And he can do all this because he has had years of training and, when trouble starts; he

knows exactly which steps to take. And he's not alone. He has the CERT team, a group of volunteers certified to carry out his emergency management needs.

Hurricane Sandy landed on the New Jersey coast at Brigantine on Monday, October 29, 2012. John's team was on duty and ready to face the night. During the evening, they came very close to declaring a state of emergency and possibly ordering the mandatory evacuation of some streets. They decided not to so and rode out the storm.

And so I humbly offer a belated thanks to John and his team. All Willingboro should be grateful that we have a group of qualified citizens ready to come to our aid when emergencies threaten.

This column is devoted to issues that affect preserving the quality of life for residents and businesses in the Township of Willingboro. The ideas presented in the article are strictly his own and do not necessarily represent the position of the Township Council nor are they the official position of the Township.

Points of Interest

Property Taxes Are Due August 1, 2013 – All unpaid property taxes are considered late after the 10th of the month in which they are due. Payments may be made Monday through Friday from 9 am to 5 pm at the Tax Collection Office, or online at www.willingboronj.org The Tax Collection Office is located in the Municipal Complex Building, Suite 205, One Rev. Dr. M. L. King, Jr. Drive Willingboro, NJ 08046.

Is There A Streetlight Out In Your Park? – To report a streetlight outage, call Public Service Electric & Gas [PSEG] at 1-800-436-7734. Give the street address, include the cross streets where the pole is located and the pole's number. Residents may also visit PSE&G's Web site at http://www.pseg.com/customer/home/bill/help.jsp to submit a written request.

Willingboro Neighborhood Watch – For those of you who are unfamiliar with or did not know, for the past 11 years, Willingboro Neighborhood Watch has been visible and active in the community. We invite you to visit our website at www. willingborowatch.org and attend our meetings on the last Wednesday of the month in the J F Kennedy Center's cafeteria at 7:00. Take an active part by reporting unusual happenings to our Police Department at 877-3000. Learn to be an observer, report, know the law and how it works.

Firewood - Now Available! – Recreation & Parks Department – \$125/cord of wood ~ \$135/delivered. Pick-up: Rear of Kennedy Center, 429 JFK Way Willingboro, NJ. Delivery available for residents only. Pick-up hours: Monday - Friday 8am - 2pm, Saturday 7-11 am by appointment only. Place your order with The Willingboro Recreation & Parks Department at 609-871-5700.



he Willingboro Community News is published by the Township for the residents and businesses of the community."

Have you read that caption on our cover? Those words have served to announce the mission; intent and purpose, of our community newspaper.

We have attempted to spark residential interest in the newspaper of Willingboro Township by opening the doors for thoughts from readers, requesting recipes to be shared throughout the Township, being on the look-out for community heroes and availing opportunity for residents to share articles for the readers of our community newspaper.

While we are yet in our infantile stage it is most needful to make known the fact that businesses are a major part of our community. We want business owners to have a

share in our newspaper. What types of businesses exist in our awesome Township? There are medical facilities, doctors, lawyers and realtors within Willingboro Township. We have market places, strip malls, private entry businesses; to list a few. Where does your business fit in our lives?

Expose your business to the community. Become a highlighted business, or advertise your business in our quarterly newspaper. With forethought your business advertisement can serve, at the least, as a two-fold purpose. It can draw people to your location, and a little business savvy can be used for that ad to be a means of measuring to determine the advertisement worth. You

know: bring this coupon and receive a bottle of free water during the months of July, August, and September. Use **your** imagination. You know your capabilities and your business. The goal is for the community newspaper to serve as a vehicle for the residents to get to know your business and keep businesses in the sitting rooms of our residents.

Once you have invested in your business by advertising in our community

newspaper you will see residents of Willingboro shopping at your business!

Interested in discussing future business highlights, or do you have an interest in advertising? Emails may be sent to: newspaper@willingboronj.gov or write: Editor-at-Large – Municipal Complex-One Rev.-Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive – Willingboro, NJ 08046



Willingboro Township Trash Schedule

MONDAY PICK UP: Deer Park, Millbrook, Pennypacker and Rittenhouse

TUESDAY PICK UP: Buckingham, Fairmount and Somerset FRIDAY PICK UP: Beverly-Rancocas Road, Country Club, Garfield,

Garfield East, Garfield North, Hawthorne, Lake Drive, Martin's Beach, Twin Hill and Windsor Park

If trash collection day falls on a holiday, the collection will take place the next day of the week.

Willingboro Township 2013 Recycle Dates

[Thursday unless otherwise noted]

July 5 [Friday], 18 ~ August 1, 15, 29 ~ September 12, 26 ~ October 10, 24 ~ November 7, 21 ~ December 5, 19

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